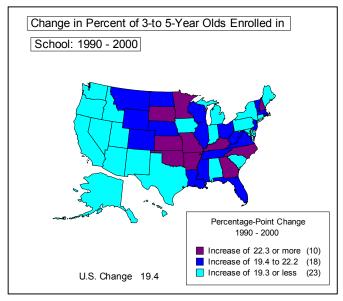
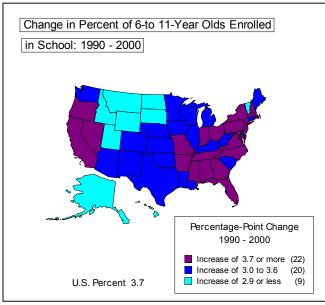
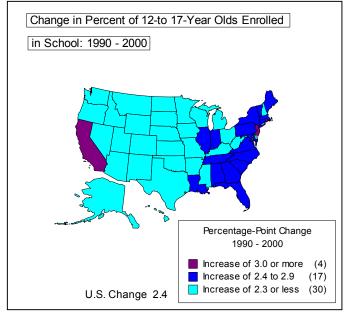
Characteristics of Children 4: School Enrollment for Age Groups: 1990 - 2000



- Nationally, the proportion of 3-to 5-year old children enrolled in school increased from 42.0 percent in 1990 to 61.4 percent in 2000.
- All regions and states saw increases in the proportion of young children enrolled in school.
- Many Western states, while still increasing, experienced relatively smaller increases.



- The percent of 6-to 11-year olds enrolled in school in the United States increased from 95.0 percent in 1990 to 98.7 percent in 2000.
- All of the states and the District of Columbia experienced an increase.
- Many of the largest increases were seen among some of the states on the Eastern seaboard.



- In 2000, 97.2 percent of all 12-to 17-year olds were enrolled in school, a slight increase of 2.4 percentage points from 1990.
- All of the states had small increases, many near the national average.
- California, New Jersey and Rhode Island all had increases of around 3 percentage points.